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MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

TOWALIGA ASSOCIATION OF PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS;

CONVENED AT

EMMIUS CHURCH, UPSON COUNTY, GA.,

Saturday, September 3d and 4th, 1864.

GRIFFIN, GA.:
DAILY REBEL BOOK AND JOB PRINTING HOUSE,
FRANC. M. PAUL & CO., PROPRIETORS.
1864.

MINUTES.

1*st*. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Bro. John E. Duke, from 16th verse of 1st chapter of Romans:

"I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

After an intermission of forty minutes the delegates met in the house. The Association was opened with prayer by Rev. D. T. White. Then proceeded to read the letters sent up by the churches, minuted their state, and recorded the names of their delegates.

2*d*. The Association was then organized by the election of Bro. Edmund Dumas, Moderator, and Bro. John E. Duke, Clerk.

3*d*. Invited visiting ministers of our faith and order to seats with us.

4*th*. Appointed brethren James M. Madden, and W. Blassingame to unite with the delegates of this church a committee to arrange preaching during the Association; and the brethren E. Dumas, James Trice and W. T. Garland a committee to arrange the business to come before the Association.

5*th*. Called for the report of the arranging committee on business, which was received, read and adopted.

6*th*. Called for correspondence. Received Bro. G. M. Tompson from the Conasauga, and Bro. D. T. White, from the Little River Association.

7*th*. Appointed Bro. James P. Lyons to write Corresponding Letter.

8*th*. Appointed correspondents to the Little River Association brethren E. Dumas, W. T. Garland, James M. Madden, Kindred Morgan and W. J. Blissit. Owing to the invading foe of our common country having overrun the bounds of the Stone River, the Cumberland and Conasauga Associations, we do not appoint any correspondents to them this year.

9*th*. Appointed general meetings as follows: for the first district, at Concord, Pike county, to commence on the Friday before the second Sunday in August, 1865; for the second district at New Hope, Upson county, to commence on the Friday before the fourth Sunday in July, 1865.

10*th*. Appointed Bro. James P. Lyons to preach the next Introductory Sermon and Bro. John E. Duke to write the Circular Letter.

11*th*. Called for Circular Letter. Bro. T. B. Williams who was appointed to write said letter being at the front with the army the letter was not presented.

12*th*. Called for contributions, and received from the churches one hundred and thirty-seven dollars.

13*th*. Appointed the next session of this Association to be held with the church at Beulah, Spalding county, nine miles north-east of Griffin, to commence on the Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1865.

14*th*. Called for Corresponding Letter, which was read and adopted.

15*th*. Agreed to have five hundred copies of these minutes printed, and the Clerk to receive twenty-five dollars for attending to the printing and distributing of the same.

16*th*. Adjourned until 8½ o'clock to morrow morning. Prayer by Bro. G. M. Tompson. Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Bro. E. Dumas. The committee on preaching reported that they had appointed Bro. D. T. White to preach, services commencing at 10 o'clock, followed by Bro. Dumas. After a respite of forty minutes Bro. Tompson to preach.

17*th*. The minutes were read and adopted. Prayer by Bro. Kindred Morgan. Adjourned.

EDMOND DUMAS, *Moderator*.

JOHN E. DUKE, *Clerk*.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The Towaliga Primitive Baptist Association, to her sister Associations with whom she corresponds, sendeth christian salutations:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Notwithstanding the troubles that now pervad common country, God in the order of his providence has again p ns to meet in an associate capacity. We learn that peace abounds a churches. We truly desire a continuance of your correspondence wi next Association will be held with the church at Beulah, nine east of Griffin, commencing on the Saturday before the firs September, 1865; and now may the God of all Grace g guide us into all truth, is the prayer of yours in Gospel bonds.

E. DUMAS, *Moderator*.

JOHN E. DUKE, *Clerk*.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	DELEGATES' NAMES.	Coloured Baptists.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Dismissed.	Dead.	Total.	Money.	PASTORS.
Bershebs,	Henry,	Not represented,						85		Moseley,
Concord,	Jasper,	Represented by letter,	2	19	1		1	69	$20 00	I. P. Lyons,
Lebanon,	Henry,	Not represented,						47		
Concord,	Pike,	James M. Madden,			1			13		White,
Liberty,	Butts,	Not represented,						33		Mullins
Beulah,	Spalding,	J. E. Duke, W. J. Bissit,					1	41	10 00	Mullins.
Providence,	Spalding,	Not represented,						11		
Walnut Creek,	Henry,	Not represented,						11		
Bethel,	Butts,	Not represented,						10		
Hebron,	Clayton,	Not represented,								
Ebenezer,	Upson,	James Trice, James Zorn, Kindred Morgan,		1	2	1	4	111		
Hunting Shoal,	Monroe,	Not represented,						59		
Mount Gilead,	Upson,	W. Blassingame, W. T. Garland,					2	2		
High Shoal,	Monroe,	Spencer Mullins,				3				
Ramah,	Monroe,	Represented by letter,		1						
New Hope,	Upson,	J. P. Lyons, J. Middlebrook, D. Williams,	2							
Union,	Monroe,	E. Dinnis, D. Wood, J. Mullins,	2	2	2					
Sandy Creek,	Butts,	Not represented,								

Contributions by the Churches, $157 00. Private [illegible], $30 00. Clerk's compensation, $2 00. Balance in the hands of [illegible], $42 00.

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